

**Mason County PUD 1  
Board of Commissioners Meeting  
October 09, 2012**

The regular Board of Commissioners Meeting of Public Utility District No. 1 of Mason County was called to order at 1:00 p.m. on October 9, 2012 at the District Office Board Room in Potlatch.

**Present**

Ron Gold – Secretary  
Karl Denison- Vice President  
Jack Janda – President  
Steve Taylor, General Manager  
Jocelyne Gray- Director of Operations-Water  
Tracy Colard- Director of Ops- Electric  
Greg Kester – Director of Finance & Customer Service  
Kristin Masteller- EXCUSED  
Rob Johnson – District Counsel

**Visitors**

Bob Sund, Customer  
Mike Pruitt, Green Diamond  
Joe Bogrand, Foster Pepper  
Eric Schallon, Green Diamond

**CONSENT AGENDA**

**By adopting the consent agenda, the following items were approved:**

The minutes of the September 25, 2012 regular meeting.

Payroll warrants #105179-105186 in the amount of \$75,086.93; Accounts Payable warrants #105174-105178 in the amount of \$220,016.31 and #105187-105258 in the amount of \$91,974.91 and voided warrants #105095 (\$55.55) and # 105117 (\$300.00) for a total vouchers amount of \$386,722.60.

Ron made a motion to approve the consent agenda as presented; Karl seconded the motion. It passed unanimously.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Bob Sund came to express his thanks and appreciation to Jocelyne and the commissioners for finally getting his project pushed through.

**BUSINESS AGENDA**

**Approval for Manager to sign Water Supply & Sewer System Agreement with Green Diamond**

Green Diamond representatives stated that they have 30,000 acres county-wide and a conservation easement for 21,000 to have removed by the company on their own property. They have 15-20 years of projects ahead. They would like Mason 1 to be available to provide water and sewer supply services for future development. Rob noted a language change to be made in the agreement. Steve will bring this agreement back to the board for discussion and approval at the next meeting.

Rob and Steve provided some language changes to the Alderbrook/Green Diamond agreement. Ron made a motion to allow the manager to sign the Alderbrook agreement with Green Diamond with the noted changes; Karl seconded the motion. It passed unanimously.

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**July 2012 Financials for Water & Electric**

Greg presented the financial statements for July of 2012 and answered various questions by the board.

**Presentation of 2012 Sourcebook**

Greg presented the 2012 WPUDA Sourcebook information and explained how the ratios worked and answered questions the commissioners had on the data.

**CORRESPONDENCE:**

There was no correspondence.

**GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT- Steve Taylor**

Steve showed *The Journal's* article on Jocelyne's award for "Top Female Executive". He reported that the final tribal easement and appraisal is being completed. The District has closed on the Daily property and is working with the rental company to rent the existing house on the property. Steve attended the WPUDA water workshop in Spokane with Karl. It was a good workshop but there was lower than normal attendance.

**STAFF REPORTS**

**Tracy Colard:**

Tracy reported that crews will complete this week the three mile underground/overhead work on Sunnyside Road. The Tribe has vaults for a new sewer plant and this week the water reclamation will be finished and most of the conduit installed. Recent BPA power interruptions may have hurt PUD equipment including the regulator in the Hoodspout Sub. The control panel in the substation was burned up and the crews fixed it on the 8<sup>th</sup>. The specialty CAD engineering removed it on the 9<sup>th</sup>. On Thursday, we will have the final design of the new substation.

**Jocelyne Gray:**

On Sunday the breakers on the Alderbrook pump were flipped when the BPA disruption occurred. No damage occurred but the breakers had to be reset. Alderbrook residential and golf course accounts seem to be using a lot of water. Alderbrook is using all three wells more evenly now. On Wednesday, Jocelyne will do a radio interview on KMAS to discuss her recent award. She is also still working on the permits for the Canal Mutual improvement project.

**Greg Kester:**

Greg reported that the state audit is complete. We received one exit item regarding pole contacts. There was an over-billing that could not be retroactively adjusted on NISC but that problem has been fixed now. Doxo has problems interfacing with NISC so that project is not on our radar right now. The head programmer at NISC estimated it is about one year out. Greg and Cindi attended the NISC conference and the trend is that everything in the future is related to smart grids and AMI meters and that related software.

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**Kristin Masteller:**

Kristin was excused from the meeting for the annual Northwest Wage & Hour conference.

**Rob Johnson:**

Rob attended an NWPPA training last week and thought it was a very beneficial training. It had a basic electricity program for non-engineers that was helpful. He is going to the APPA conference in Washington, D.C. later this year as well.

**BOARD REPORTS/COMMENTS**

**Karl:** Had a good WPUDA meeting in Spokane for the water workshop. Part of the discussion was regarding the benefits we would have for being an SMA. Karl is going to Stevenson for training on October 9<sup>th</sup>.

**Ron:** No report.

**Jack:** Jack stated that he would like an update on the property behind the PUD from the City of Tacoma. Steve stated that he met with Tacoma Power and they wanted to do more studies of the proposal. Steve felt that it was not going to go anywhere.

**Meeting Adjourned at 4:15 p.m.**

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Jack Janda – President

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Karl Denison - Vice President

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Ron Gold – Secretary